

DECLARATION

As a below named inventor, I/we hereby declare that:

My/Our residences and citizenships are as listed below.

I/We believe that I/we are the original, first and sole/joint inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought in the invention entitled **Integrated Retractable Cargo Tie-Down**, identified as Lear attorney docket number 03970, the specification of which is filed concurrently herewith.

I/We hereby state that I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in this Declaration.

I/We acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I/We hereby appoint Bruce E. Harang, Registration No. 29,720; Bill C. Panagos, Registration No. 31,050; and Larry Shelton, Registration No. 45,100 to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Please send all correspondence to:

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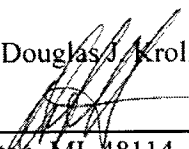
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